

1. [dɑːns] *n*

1. танец, пляска

barn dance - шотландский танец

round dance - вальс

a stage dance - сценический танец

sword dance - танец с саблями

dance program - программа танцев

dance step - па в танце

2. танцевальная музыка

to compose dances - сочинять танцевальную музыку

3. бал, танцевальный вечер

to give a dance - устроить танцевальный вечер

4. тур, танец

may I have the next dance with you? - позвольте пригласить вас на следующий танец

5. *усл.* действия, линия поведения; игра◇ St. Vitus's dance - *мед.* пляска святого Витта

Dance of death, dance of Macabre - пляска смерти

dance upon nothing - казнь через повешение; виселица

to begin /to lead/ the dance - играть главную роль; брать на себя инициативу, быть заводилой

to lead smb. a (pretty) dance - а) ≅ водить кого-л. за нос; мучить, манежить кого-л.; б) бесцельно таскать кого-л. за собой

2. [dɑːns] *v*

1. 1) танцевать, плясать; отплясывать

to dance to (the) music - танцевать под музыку

to dance off one's head - танцевать до потери сознания /до изнеможения/

to dance a waltz [a jig] - танцевать вальс [отплясывать джигу]

2) заставлять танцевать, плясать

to dance a bear - заставить медведя плясать

to dance smb. off his legs - замучить своего партнёра танцами «затанцевать» кого-л.

2. плясать, прыгать, скакать (*мж.* dance about, dance up, dance down)

to dance for joy - плясать от радости

to dance (up and down) with rage [with pain] - метаться от ярости [от боли]

3. двигаться, кружиться, виться

to dance on the waves - качаться на волнах (*о лодке*)to dance in the wind - кружиться на ветру (*о листьях, хлопьях снега и т. п.*)

motes danced in the sunbeam - в солнечном луче плясали пылинки

shadows danced on the grass - по траве скользили тени

his heart danced in his bosom - сердце прыгало у него в груди

4. качать

to dance a child on one's knee - качать ребёнка на колене

5. 1) добиться (*чего-л.*)

to dance oneself into smb.'s favour - добиться чьей-л. благосклонности, втереться в чьё-л. доверие

2) потерять (*что-л.*; *обыкн.* dance away)

he danced away his chance - он упустил /проморгал/ (блестящую) возможность

◇ to dance to /after/ smb.'s pipe /piping, whistle/, to dance to smb.'s tune - плясать под чью-л. дудку

to dance to a different /another/ tune - запеть другое

to dance upon nothing, to dance the Tyburn jig - *усл.* быть повешенным

to dance on a volcano - плясать на кратере вулкана; ≅ играть с огнём

to dance barefoot - *усл.* остаться старой девой (*о старшей сестре после замужества младшей*)

dance

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dance [dance dances danced dancing] *noun, verb* *BrE* [dɑːnʃ] *NAmE* [dæns]*noun***1. countable** a series of movements and steps that are usually performed to music; a particular example of these movements and steps

- a **dance class/routine**
- Find a partner and practise these new **dance steps**.
- Do you know any other Latin American dances?
- The next dance will be a waltz.

see also ↑rain dance**2. uncountable** the art of dancing, especially for entertainment

- an evening of drama, music and dance
- **modern/classical dance**
- a **dance company/troupe**

3. countable an act of dancing

- Let's have a dance.
- He did a little dance of triumph.

4. countable a social event at which people dance

- We hold a dance every year to raise money for charity.

5. countable a piece of music for dancing to

- The band finished with a few slow dances.

see lead sb a (merry) dance **at** ↑lead ¹ v., a song and dance **at** ↑song

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French **dancer** (verb), **dance** (noun), of unknown origin.

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dance noun C

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disco • **ball** • **party** • **rave** • **function** • |informal, especially journalism **bash** • a **charity** dance/ball/function/bash

have/hold/go to/attend a dance/disco/ball/party/rave/function/bash
dance/disco/party/rave **music**

Example Bank:

- In her delight she got up and did a little dance.
- May I have the next dance?
- Save the last dance for me.
- She had to sit out the last dance because of a twisted ankle.
- They met at a dance.
- Would you like a dance?
- pigeons performing their mating dance
- A ceilidh is like a kind of Scottish or Irish barn dance.
- I took her to my first high school dance.

Idioms: ↑dance attendance on somebody ▪ ↑dance the night away ▪ ↑dance to somebody's tune

verb

1. intransitive to move your body to the sound and rhythm of music

- Do you want to dance?
- He asked me to dance.
- They stayed up all night singing and dancing.
- They danced to the music of a string quartet.
- Ruth danced all evening with Richard.
- Ruth and Richard danced together all evening

2. transitive ~ **sth** to do a particular type of dance

- to dance the tango
- to dance a waltz
- He was so excited about the good news that he danced a little jig.

3. intransitive to move in a lively way

- The children danced around her.
- The sun shone on the sea and the waves danced and sparkled.
- The words danced before her tired eyes.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	dance
	BrE /dɑːns/
	NAmE /ˈdɑːns/
he / she /it	dances
	BrE /dɑːnsɪz/
	NAmE /ˈdɑːnsɪz/
past simple, past participle	danced
	BrE /dɑːnst/
	NAmE /ˈdɑːnst/
-ing form	dancing
	BrE /dɑːnsɪŋ/
	NAmE /ˈdɑːnsɪŋ/

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- He was almost dancing for joy.
- They danced wildly down the street.
- We danced to the music.
- Will you dance with me?

danceI. **dance**¹ **S2 W3** /dɑːns/\$dæns/ *BrE* *AmE* *noun*1. **[countable]** a special set of movements performed to a particular type of music:

The waltz is an easy dance to learn.

folk/traditional dance

the traditional dances and music of Russia

2. **[countable]** a social event or party where you dance:

Are you going to the dance this weekend?

the school dance

3. **[countable]** an act of dancing:Claire *did a* little *dance* of excitement.**have a dance especially British English:**

Let's have another dance.

4. **[countable]** a piece of music which you can dance to:

The band was playing a slow dance.

5. **[uncountable]** the activity or art of dancing:

modern dance

dance and movement classes

⇒ **song and dance about something** at [↑]song(4), ⇒ **lead somebody a dance** at [↑]lead¹(19)

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COLLOCATIONS**adjectives**

- **a traditional dance** The drum is often used in Africa to accompany traditional dances.
- **a folk dance** (=typical of the ordinary people who live somewhere) This is one of the oldest folk dances in Greece.
- **a national dance** The Tango is Argentina's national dance.

verbs

- **do a dance** Can you do any dances?
- **perform a dance** We watched the group perform some traditional Spanish dances.

dance + NOUN

- **a dance routine/sequence** (=a set of movements that are part of a dance) She was practising a complicated dance routine.
- **a dance step** (=a movement in a dance) Lou was teaching me a few dance steps.
- **dance music** A small band was playing dance music.
- **a dance floor** (=special floor for people to dance on)
- **a dance band** (=playing music that people can dance to) a professional dance band

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- **dance** an organized social event where people to go dance: The dance will be held in the school gym.
- **ball** a large formal occasion where people dance: The University holds a ball at the end of June.
- **prom** a formal dance party for high school students, especially in the US, usually held at the end of a school year: Who's your date for the prom?
- **formal American English** a dance at which you must wear formal clothes: He rented a tuxedo to wear to his company's holiday formal.
- **disco** a place or social event where people dance to recorded popular music: She met Nick at a school disco.
- **club/nightclub** a place where people go at night to dance: We went out for dinner and then to a club.

II. **dance**² **S2 W3** *BrE* *AmE* *verb*

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: dancier]

1. **[intransitive and transitive]** to move your feet and body in a way that matches the style and speed of music:

Come on, let's dance.

dance to

They danced to Ruby Newman's orchestra (=the orchestra was playing).

dance with

The bride danced with her father.

dance a waltz/rumba/tango etc2. **[intransitive and transitive]** to dance in performances, especially in [↑]ballet:

He danced with the Boston Repertory Ballet.

Nakamura dances several solos in this production.

3. [intransitive] *literary* to move up, down, and around quickly:

" Pink and white balloons danced in the wind.

4. **dance to sb's tune** to do what someone wants you to do – used to show disapproval:

" At that time, Eastern bloc countries danced to the Soviet tune.

5. **dance attendance on somebody** to do everything possible in order to please someone:

" a movie star with several young men dancing attendance on her

—**dancing** *noun* [uncountable]:

" the beauty of her dancing

dance

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